

FOOTBALL IN VICTORIA

A GAME THAT SEEMS AN IMPROVEMENT ON THAT OF THIS COUNTRY.

The Dangerous Features Eliminated Without Damaging the Game—The National Sport of All the Australian Colonies.

The American base ballers have returned from Australia with the knowledge of a new and exciting outdoor sport, the Victorian game of football. It has been upon this genuine national field sport of Australia, which has been built up entirely in the country of Victoria and adopted by nearly all the other colonies. It is the winter outdoor sport, and the games for the "premiership" attract audiences which frequently number 50,000 people. It is a game of great interest, and because of popularity, and even in New South Wales, where local jealousy of the neighboring colony of Victoria persists in holding up against the national sport, the games of the most celebrated English eleven attract the attendance of scarcely over 200 people.

ball were played in conjunction with the ball contests. The impression made on the ball players was more than a favorable one, and if the game is not introduced by them at the close of the present base ball season as a fall or winter athletic sport, it is more than likely to be adopted by the Clevelander boys in spring as a system of training their own into good condition for subsequent struggles.

the base ball championship. It is not attractive game, requiring skill, endurance, and a certain amount of fighting will. The dangerous roughness, which is a part of the game in America is almost entirely prohibited. There is no gouging, shoving, or any of the vicious back, nor is a player free to be tripped on by a dozen others in a scrimmage for the ball. It possesses all the attractive features of the highly game, but with little of the pugilism and reckless fighting that is a gentle game by any means, but the prohibitions placed on violence are absolute. There is no pushing, no brute strength, Dexterity and agility are the qualities which count. Tagging, backing, "rabbiting," "slimming," "sneaking," "stealing" and "bunting" are not allowed, and the players are not allowed to use any of the dangerous

plied to a player who stoops down to encourage another to fall by placing his hands on his hips. Slugging is the act of hitting a player by the neck and throwing or attempting to throw him to the ground. When a player has the ball in hand he can be forced to drop it only by being seized around the waist.

Victorian football is more interesting and exciting than the American game in some respects. There is one feature particularly noticeable, and that is the catching of the ball.

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The Gulf of Mexico is a shallow body of water, with an average depth of only 1,600 feet. It is bounded by the United States to the north and west, and by Mexico to the south and east. The Gulf is a major body of water in the world, and it is one of the most important bodies of water in the world. It is a major source of food for the people of the Gulf, and it is a major source of income for the people of the Gulf. It is a major source of water for the people of the Gulf, and it is a major source of water for the people of the Gulf.

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PHOTOGRAPHING STARS.

The Camera Sees Myriads Invisible to the Eye.

From Macmillan's Magazine.

When we place in the focus of the telescope a highly sensitive photographic plate the vibrations incessantly of the light throw themselves persistently on the sensitive film, just as the vibrations of shaking agitate the molecules of matter in the air, or the undulations of light waves of ocean by the sensitive film. And as the waves there will gradually wear away the matter, so the vibrations of light will gradually engrave the millions of waves of light incessantly radiating upon a single point of the plate. As the vibrations of sound engrave decomposition, and so engrave the image of the star, it will be obvious that this process will be the

permitted, and thus we see "one of the reasons why photography forms such an admirable method of defining the stars," and an "exposure of many hours, or one, two, three, or four hours, and all the time the object is being gradually accumulated. Hence we have a star which is altogether too feeble to produce an impression on the eye, but which, fortified by a telescope of the largest power, may yet be competent, when a sufficient exposure has been allowed, to leave its record on the retina." It is that photograph of the heavens disclosed to us by the telescope, stars which could never have been detected except for this cumulative method of observation.

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